

The Thailand Challenge

4th—19th July 2020

Program Outcomes

The Thailand Challenge aims to broaden the experience of adult members 18-30 by

- ♣ Exploring the outdoors through observation and investigation of Thailand's culture, history and environment.
- ♣ Sharing the ethos of Guiding through interaction with Australian, New Zealand and Thai Girl Guides in formal and non-formal activities.
- ♣ Enjoying Guiding traditions including campfires, cooking and small group activities.
- ♣ Developing leadership skills while visiting Thai schools and while living and travelling with different people.
- ♣ Participating in environmental education activities to raise awareness of issues, lifestyle changes and community responses.
- ♣ Participating in community service projects including sharing English language with Thai students and mangrove restoration and planting.

This project has been developed with Traidhos Three-generation Barge Program and Girl Guides (Girl Scouts) Association of Thailand for Australian and New Zealand adult members aged 18-30.

Traidhos Three-generation Barge Program

Since 1995, the Traidhos Barge Program has been providing high quality outdoor experiential education. Their vision is "Educating individuals and communities to raise environmental awareness and take active responsibility for a globally sustainable future."

Find out more at <http://barge.threegeneration.org/>



Girl Guides (Girl Scouts) Association of Thailand

Girl Guiding in Thailand began in 1957. In 2018 they had 50,473 members.



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Program

Day 1 (Saturday 4th July) Arrive Bangkok. Welcome dinner with Girl Guides Thailand (Accommodation: GGAT)

Day 2 (Sunday 5th July) Barge activities with GGAT members. Introduction to environmental education activities, Thai language and culture lessons. Bike ride through Ko Kret. (Accommodation Piyawan resort)

Day 3 (Monday 6th July). Wat Niwet, Bang Pa Inn Summer Palace, environmental education activities (Accommodation Ayatthaya Youth camp)

Day 4 (Tuesday 7th July) Tuk Tuk to Wat Panon Choern, Wat Phra Sri Sanphet and Wat Chai Wattanaram. Market shopping. (Accommodation Ayatthaya Youth camp)

Day 5 (Wednesday 8th July) Train to Phitsanulok. Explore Sukthothai Historical park by bike (Accommodation Lanna Garden Resort)

Day 6 (Thursday 9th July). Ban Ko Noi Kiln museum and pottery workshop, silver jewellery making workshop. Swimming (Accommodation Chanalai Resort)

Day 7 (Friday 10th July) Train to Chiang Mai. Introduction to Traidhos Three-Generation Community for Learning (Accommodation Traidhos)



Day 8 (Saturday 11th July) Elephant Retirement Park, learn about jungle cooking and Thai farming (Accommodation: Traidhos)

Day 9 (Sunday 12th July) Doi Inthanon National Park , Siriphum Waterfall , Environmental activities. Hike to Karen Village (Accommodation: homestay with Karen Village families)



Day 10 (Monday 13th July), Visit to village school, Doi Inthanon National Park summit , environmental education activities, return to Chiang Mai. Chiang Mai Night Bazaar (Accommodation GGT Chiang Mai)

Day 11 (Tuesday 14th July). Service and activities with Thai Girl Guides (English teaching and a practical project). Campfire with GGAT leaders.

(Accommodation: GGAT Chiang Mai)



Day 12 (Wednesday 15th July) Flight to Krabi. Batik, coconut craft, and coconut snack workshop. Dinner at Jaseo Restaurant, shopping opportunity (Accommodation Ao Nang Resort)

Day 13 (Thursday 16th July) Kayaking through caves and mangroves, swimming in Ta Pom stream. Campfire with Thai Girl Guides. (Accommodation Ao Nang Resort)

Day 14 (Friday 17th July) Visit Nong Taleh Wittaya School for English activities, Thai music and Instruments, cook lunch, Mangrove restoration and planting Koh Klang. (Accommodation Ao Nang Resort)

Day 15 (Saturday 18th July), Flights to Bangkok and home. Arriving Sunday 19th July.

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